

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
EASTERN DIVISION**

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<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	
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<b>v.</b>	)	<b>NO.: ***-T/An</b>
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***,	)	
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<b>Defendant.</b>	)	

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**RULE 16(b) SCHEDULING ORDER (ERISA CASE)**

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This is a claim for benefits under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. § 1132(a)(1)(B). The following dates are established as the final dates for:

Defendant shall file the Administrative record by [DATE];

Plaintiff shall file any motion or objection directed solely to the contents of the Administrative Record by [DATE];

Plaintiff shall file a motion to reverse Defendant's decision by [DATE]; and

Defendant shall file a response and a cross-motion to affirm Defendant's decision by [DATE].

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS:**

Absent exceptional circumstances, discovery is not permitted in ERISA cases. If Plaintiff believes that such exceptional circumstances exists as would warrant discovery, the Plaintiff shall file a motion setting forth the exceptional circumstances and requesting that additional discovery be allowed within thirty (30) days from entry of this Order.

The opposing party may file a response to any motion filed in this matter. Neither party

may file an additional reply, however, without leave of the court. If a party believes that a reply is necessary, it shall file a motion for leave to file a reply accompanied by a memorandum setting forth the reasons for which a reply is required.

Absent good cause shown, the scheduling dates set by this Order will not be modified or extended.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

S. THOMAS ANDERSON  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Date: